GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MICRO, SMALL AND MEDIUM ENTERPRISES
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PRODUCTS FROM SMALL SCALE INDUSTRIES SECTOR
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Will the Minister of MICRO, SMALL AND MEDIUM ENTERPRISES be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the Government Departments/agencies purchasing items produced by Small Scale Sector,item-wise and in value for the last three years and the current year;

(b) whether these items are comparable in quality to those being produced by big companies in private sectors;and

(c) if not, the reaction of the Government on the quality of products produced by the small scale sector ?

Answer

MINISTER OF MICRO, SMALL AND MEDIUM ENTERPRISES(SHRI MAHABIR PRASAD)

(a) The Directorate General of Supplies and Disposals (DGS&D) is the nodal agency of the Government for purchase policy and procedure.The DGS&D enters into Rate Contracts for common user items required on recurring basis by the Central/State Governments and Public Sector Undertakings (PSUs).As per the data furnished by the DGS&D, the item-wise value of the purchases made against DGS&D contracts by different Government agencies from micro and small enterprise (MSE) sector during 2005-06,2006-07 and 2007-08 (latest available) is enclosed at Annexure.

(b) & (c): The DGS&D contracts stipulate the governing specifications for products.The DGS&D has informed that all suppliers,including micro and small enterprises,against these contracts meet the requirements of the governing specifications of contracts/benchmark.